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La Peña Cultural Center

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Tues. 12-5pm
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closed Sun. & Mon.
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Vox Populi

A new Cafe and Restaurante
Open for dinner Wed. – Sun.
from 6pm
(510) 548-5514

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Cultural Center Calendar May 1994

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1 PERFORMANCE **For Black People** continues its Sunday performance series at La Peña. Poetry, performance, music, and dance. For details, check local listings or call voice mail #s 980-9482 or 207-3382 **7:30pm $5**	**2**	**3** **Welcome Vox Populi** A new cafe in now open at La Peña! Vox Populi, a new business with familiar faces, is being operated by Hugo Brenni, Carlos Herrera, Ricardo Navarrete, Oriana Ruíz, and Hector Salgado. Vox Populi is committed to serving quality food at modest prices. Come and enjoy the new cafe! Open Wednesdays through Sundays from 6 pm. Call, 548-5514	**4** REPORT/VIDEO **Eyewitness Iraq: 3 Years After the Gulf War** A report about the devastating effects of the sanctions imposed on Iraq. Featured speaker is Richard Becker, member of the Intl. Action Center delegation led by Ramsey Clark that went to Iraq in Feb. Also, new video by May Ying Welsh, "Blockade: The Silent War Against Iraq." **7:30pm $5 ***(no one turned away for lack of funds)	**5** BENEFIT CONCERT Join in an effort to revitalize West Berkeley by supporting the West Berkeley Public Pool. The Berkeley Public Pool Users Group presents an evening of Moroccan, gospel, jazz, and African percussion to raise money to renovate West Campus Swim Center. All proceeds benefit the renovation. **7:30pm $8-12 *** **8:30pm $8-10**	**6** COMEDY **Over Our Heads** is the Bay Area's hottest women's comedy group. These four versatile women perform skillfully mixed improvisational comedy based on audience suggestions and sing hilarious songs. The group is made up of Karen Ripley, Teresa Chandler, Annie Larson and Marion Damon. **8:30pm $8-10**	**7** For children's programs, see lower left of calendar **DANCE** **VIVA BRASIL** Music from Brazil, the Caribbean, South Africa and Latin America **9:30pm $8**
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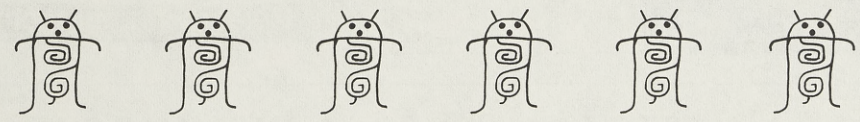
Saturday Morning Children's Programs

All programs begin at 10:30 am • $3 Adults $2 Kids

May 7: Amiguitos de La Peña present **Nancy Raven**, La Peña favorite, with her songs and games from around the world.
May 14: La Peña's own **Colibrí** celebrates the release of their first recording of Latin American music for children. Come join the celebration!
May 21: Amiguitos de La Peña present **Dan Goldensohn,** one of the Bay Area's top children's songwriters, bringing his exciting tuneful singing games and warm personality to kids of all ages.

Sat. May 14: Lichi,Rafa,& Alisa photo by: Jamie Westdal



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La Peña 19th Anniversary Fundraising Drive

Singing at La Peña always serves to remind me of the power in sharing cultures. It allows us to understand one another better and to break down the barriers others would have divide us. La Peña's existence gives us hope for a better world. ¡Que viva La Peña!" – Pete Seeger, folk singer/activist

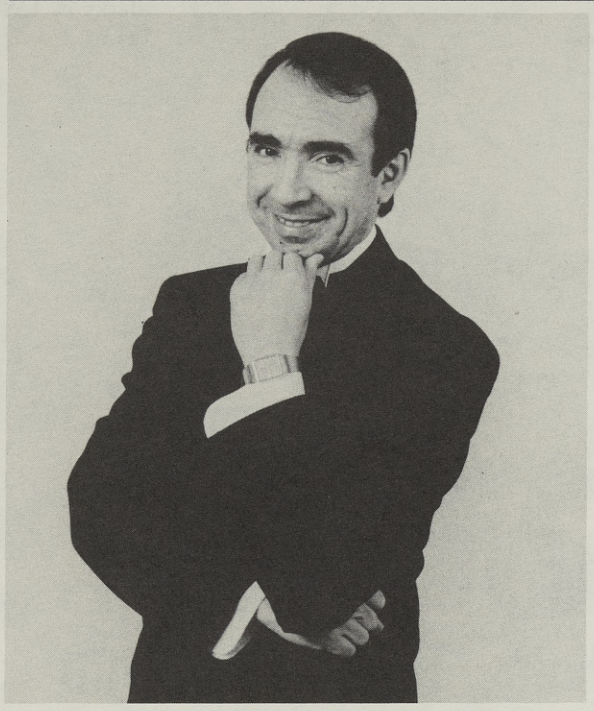
Dear Friends of La Peña,

This June La Peña will be celebrating its 19th anniversary as an organization that has promoted the notion that art, culture, and the struggle for social justice are intrinsically linked. We firmly believe that the theme of cultural activism for social justice is as relevant as ever. Through tough times La Peña has remained one of the few institutions that has survived to keep this vision alive.

Donations to La Peña from people like you are a vital source of support. As you know, the recession and continuing government budget cuts have had a devastating impact on arts funding. Your individual contributions help to support free and low cost classes, subsidize ticket prices, upgrade equipment, make building improvements, sustain art exhibits, make free school arts presentations possible, maintain Saturday morning multicultural children's programs, keep performance and meeting space affordable to community groups, make possible presentations by international, national, and local artists, and organize educational forums on the situation in Chiapas, the elections in South Africa, the performance of the Clinton administration and many other topics. **Your donations make a difference!**

Bertoch Brecht once said, "Art is not a mirror held to reality, but a hammer with which to shape it." Won't you help shape a new reality? **Please send a contribution today. (see coupon in back of calendar)**

MAY HIGHLIGHTS



Comedy in Spanish with Pippo Molina

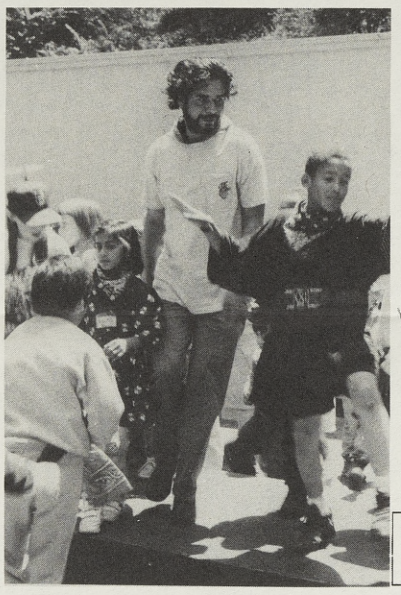
Thursday, May 26 • 8pm • $8 Sin pelos en la lengua (ni en los pies, porque también baila) regresa triunfante este cómico ambulante que se ha ganado el corazón de muchos, incluso el de su abuelita. Venga preparado porque se reirá sin parar durante todo el espectáculo. Con mas de 25 años de experiencia y "chamulleo", como bailarín y actor, Pippo fué ganador del Festival Internacional del Humor en Colombia y se ha presentado en forma exitosa en diversos paises latinoamericanos. (Si no nos cree pregúntele a la Interpol). Habrá curanto, empanadas, el buen vino chileno y otras sorpresitas!

Over Our Heads • Friday, May 6 • 8:30pm

"For those of us who wish "Saturday Night Live" would let women be funny more often, (O.O.H.) is a real treat." *The Register-Guard. Oregon.* "Imagine and hour and a half of non-stop hilarity. (O.O.H.) is impro at its best!" *Bay Area Women's News.*

Photo by Arlyn Anderson

Fandango Party • Friday, May 13 • 7pm
$5 Adults / $3 Children



A music and dance performance with students of the Son Jarocho and Zapateado CAC classes. El fandango es una celebración colectiva para toda la familia. No importa la edad, ni el modo de vestir; solo las ganas y los zapatos con tacón. Participe en este baile al puro estilo de los jarochos de Veracruz, Mexico. Habrá comida veracruzana.

Photo: La Peña's Mexican music instructor Gilberto Gutierrez.

Aire de Sevilla • Saturday May 21 • 8:30pm

Tonight's guest artist, La Romera, director of the Flamenco company "¡Duende!", has studied and performed with some of Flamenco's greatest masters including El Farruco, Manolo Marín, and Ciro.

Siku's • The Spirit of the Andes
Friday May 20 • 8:30pm

Besides the known traditional music styles of Latin America, the music of Dave Dueñas (Guam), Tim Bush (Bay Area) Fernando Lens, (Bolivia), Fernando de Sanjines (Bolivia), Fernando Torres (Chile), and Nayo Ulloa (Peru) combine sounds of samba, flamenco and even classical music. This favorite Bay Area-based ensemble returns to La Peña with their newest compositions and musical arrangements.

¡QUE VIVA ZAPATA!

New at La Tienda at La Peña

Folk Art from Mexico: Oaxacan wood carvings, Dia de Los Muertos figures, Chiapas dolls, jewelry, candleholders, "Chilis Galore" - hand sculpted bolos & jewelry by Carmen & Co, chili lights

Posters: featuring work of Diego Rivera, Siquieros, Tamayo, Covarrubias, Aztec Calender, chili poster & more. **Special half price sale of all Frida Kahlo posters & cards!**

Books: Mexican Arts & Crafts; 500 Years of Chicano History, Signs from the Heart: California Chicano Murals;Infinite Divisions, An Anthology of Chicana Literature; An Autobiography of Lydia Mendoza; La Cocina Jarocha; La Cocina Guatemalteca; Libros por Elena Poniatowska **For Kids:** Cesar Chavez, Abuela's Weave,Things I Like About Grandma

Music & Instruments: Dr. Loco's Rockin' Jalapeño Band, Javier Solis, Flaco Jimenez, Amparo Ochoa, gourds for chekeres, claves, zampoñas, cuatros and much more.

Celebrating our mothers & grandmothers!

LA PEÑA'S 19TH ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISING DRIVE!

La Peña is a bilingual multicultural center open seven nights a week for concerts, films, dances, classes, and grassroots fundraising events. Since 1975 La Peña has relied on support from the community in the form of volunteer work and contributions. **Without this support we could not exist.** La Peña is a non-profit tax-exempt organization. We urge everyone who appreciates our programs to make a donation to help La Peña continue its work as a center of progressive culture. ¡Que viva La Peña!

❑ Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation of $_____ to support La Peña's 19th Anniversary!

❑ Please send me the calendar of events for one year ($2 minimum donation, actual cost to La Peña is $7)

❑ I would like to become a La Peña bill-of-the-month supporter.
Enclosed is my first monthly pledge of $_____(minimum monthly pledge $5)

❑ I am interested in volunteering at La Peña. Please contact me.

Name _____

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Since 1975, more than 500 community groups have used our facilities. The use of our space by these organizations does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña feels that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion and understanding among different peoples.

CLASS SCHEDULE AT LA PEÑA

La Peña is proud to offer free Latin American workshops sponsored by the California Arts Council Artist in Residence program and La Peña. This year the CAC has awarded a new grant to Guillermo Céspedes and Chus Alonso who will teach Afro-Cuban music for youth, adults & children. The CAC has also renewed grants for Gilberto Gutierrez, from Mexico, to teach music and dance of the *son jarocho* of Veracruz, Mexico. Rafael Manríquez, from Chile will continue to teach guitar and direct the La Peña Community Chorus. **Enrollment is limited and permission from the instructor is required. For more information, call Sylvia at (510) 849-2572 M - F 12 - 5 pm.** (TS = Theater Space, CR = Community Room behind La Tienda)

MONDAYS

Afro-Cuban Youth Ensemble – Free
(3:30 - 5:30 pm, TS) Instructors: Guillermo Céspedes and Chus Alonso

Afro-Cuban Adult Ensemble – Free
(6 - 8pm, TS) Instructors: Guillermo Céspedes and Chus Alonso

West African Drumming Class -- $12/class or $10.00/class for 4 classes
(6:00 - 7:15pm, CR) Instructor: Babou Sagna from Senegal

TUESDAYS

Children's class in Zapateado, Mexican folkloric dance – Free (6 - 9 yrs)
(4:00 - 5:00 pm, TS) Instructor: Gilberto Gutíerrez

Beginning Adult Zapateado, Mexican folkloric dance from Veracruz. Free
(5:00 - 6:00 pm, TS) Instructor: Gilberto Gutiérrez

Advanced Adult Zapateado – Free
(6:00 - 7:00 pm, TS) Instructor: Gilberto Gutiérrez

Mexican Son Jarocho Music Workshop, instruction in jarana, an 8 string guitar like Mexican instrument – Free
(7:00 - 8:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Gilberto Gutiérrez

Latin American Chorus – Free
(8:00 - 10:00 pm, TS), Director: Rafael Manríquez

WEDNESDAYS

Beginning Latin American Guitar – Free
(6:00 - 7:00 pm, CR) Instructor: – Rafael Manríquez

Intermediate Latin American Guitar – Free
(7:00 - 8:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez

Advanced Latin America Guitar – Free
(8:00 - 9:00 pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez

THURSDAYS

Introduction to Afro-Cuban Rhythms – Free
(5:30 - 7:30 pm, CR) Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes

SATURDAYS

Afrocuban Folkloric Dance Class -- $10.00/class
(12:00 noon - 1:45 pm TS) Instructor: Roberto Borrell
For May - Call (510) 549-1829 to confirm schedule

Salsa dance class with Ricardo Hayes
(2–3pm beginning TS) (3–4pm intermediate TS) $6/class

Bay Area Southern Africa Network Meeting
The Bay Area Southern Africa Network meets regularly on the second Saturday of each month from 10am to 1pm in La Peña's Community

Volunteers Needed!

La Peña needs volunteers who are skilled in sound engineering for live concerts, running audio-visual and lighting equipment, or have general stage production experience. Also, volunteers to distribute our monthly calendar, staff evening programs, and to work in our store.
If interested, call Hector Robles at 510-849-2572.

Ad Space Available

La Peña's calendar reaches people who are concerned about global social justice issues and support diversity in all aspects of life. Ad space limited to not-for profit activities. Cost: $30 column inch.

Centro Latino Spanish Classes

• Regular and intensive classes •
• Weekdays and weekends •
• Children classes and translation services •

Enroll now and attend an unlimited number of classes during the month of April and May

For more information call
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2530 San Pablo Ave. Suite E (at Blake St.), Berkeley, CA 94702